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Executive Assistant nominated

Chris Smith will remain SGA VP, drops petition

Chris Smith, SGA vice president, has announced he will not file a petition for a vice presidential election on March 4 but will continue as SGA vice president until the April SGA elections. Because of a heavy course load Smith will not run for re-election in the April elections, according to Pat Dowling, SGA vice president.

"Karen Henry, SGA president pro-tempore, has said she won't run for the vice-presidential post and she won't accept it if Smith resigns and so the position will be open in April. I'll probably run again," said Dowling.

AT LAST Friday's SGA meeting, Smith read Executive Report 77-2 which told the duties of the executive assistant to be nominated by Dowling at today's meeting. Dowling said he plans to nominate Clay Vise, a freshman senator-at-large, for the post. "Vise has a lot of initiative, is interested in the

workings of the SGA and I think he'll be right for the post. The executive assistant will accompany me on business matters and at executive meetings and will also assist the Public Information Office director," said Dowling.

FOUR BILLS were placed in Rules to be voted on later.

Bill 77-16, submitted by Gail Overmyer, was to appropriate funds to purchase dictionaries and parliamentary procedures books for the SGA office.

Bills 77-17, 77-18 and 77-19 were all submitted by Mark Stephens and stated respectively; not more than 180 dollars be spent on office supplies for the SGA, not more than \$100 for an SGA supply cabinet and not more than \$25 for a bulletin board for the SGA president's office.

B11 77-14 appropriating \$24 to renew the subscription of the publication, National on Campus Report, and Resolution 77-4 amending the standard code of

parliamentary law from "Roberts" to "Sturgis" in the Rules of Order of the LSUS Student Government were both passed by unanimous senate consent.

Kathie Crane was approved as a new business senator by a 11-3-1 senate vote.

The committee for the SGA-proposed common hour met with Dr. Gary K. Brashier, vice chancellor of academic affairs. The results of the student poll, 5 to 1 in favor of the common hour, were presented to Dr. Brashier. "He was generally in favor of it. He agrees that it might help combat student apathy and give all students the opportunity to participate in campus activities at a set time, noon to 1 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday," said Dowling.

"We should have all our facts and poll results ready in about a month to present to Chancellor Shipp. If passed the common hour will start in the spring semester of '78 and will run on a trial basis for that one semester. The big question is whether the students will use the hour" said Dowling.

Energy consumption cut to save money, resources

by JIM SHAW

University officials are asking students and teachers to help conserve electricity by turning off lights in classrooms and offices when not in use.

Todd Y. Tillman, assistant to the chancellor, and George Kalmbach, director of the physical plant, told the Almagest that LSUS electricity consumption could be cut by the simple flip of a switch.

TILLMAN SAID the university is preparing a program that will be aimed at making students and teachers aware of rising energy costs and the university's standstill budget.

"This could be a serious problem," Tillman said. "We're looking at a \$25,000 annual increase in energy costs in face of a standstill budget."

Most of the additional cost would be fuel adjustment charges added on to the actual bill to compensate for natural gas price increases.

KALMBACH compared electricity bills for September 1975 and 1976. He noted that although the same amount of power was used, the '76 bill was \$1,100 more, a 16 per cent rise. This increase from \$6,700 to \$7,800 was primarily caused by adjustment costs, he said.

Kalmbach said the University has already implemented seven measures designed to cut energy consumption.

Parking lot light operation time has been reduced. Instead of being left on all night, they are now turned off at 10 p.m.

Wattages of hall lights have been reduced.

THE UNIVERSITY power plant operates from 6 a.m. to 10 p.m., instead of 24 hours a day. Kalmbach

said that on mild days the plant does not operate at all.

During the colder months the chiller, cooling portion of the climate control apparatus, is not used.

A boiler to supply steam to the science building labs has been installed so the school steam system will not have to be used.

KALMBACH said the school system supplies steam to the entire campus and during warm months is wasteful since heating—the main function—is not needed.

This move, he said, has cut gas consumption in a summer month from about 130 mcf (thousand cubic feet) to about 12 mcf.

Another energy-saving measure is the school's climate control system is turned on early in the morning when the energy demand—and price—is lower. This is because power companies bill customers not only for kilowatts used, but for the maximum kilowatts used at any given moment (demand).

Doors to the buildings have been adjusted so that they cannot be propped open and allow heated or cooled air to escape.

BOTH MEN said they believed that university energy consumption could be reduced still further if students and faculty members remember to turn off lights in unused classrooms and offices.

To illustrate their point, they compared an electricity consumption record of a weekend day to the record of a school day. In both cases the air conditioning system was not in use. Power use on the weekday was three times as high, the majority of which, they said, was because of lighting.

Bitch Box arrives

The Almagest is sponsoring a "Bitch Box" located in each of the major buildings on campus.

This box is for complaints on the campus or the community. No names are needed. Only major, classification, and complaint should be submitted. Results will be compiled and analyzed and will be available in the next Almagest.



Dance tonight

Student Activities Board (SAB) announces a Valentine's Dance tonight at the Progressive Men's Club from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. Southern Comfort will be the featured band. Set-ups will be available and ice chests are allowed.

Awards available

Eight \$1,575 post-graduate awards will be given to the best reporters and editors in the 1976-77 graduating classes from the Pulliam Journalism Fellowships.

The Pulliam Fellowship, established in 1974 by the late Eugene C. Pulliam, publisher of The Indianapolis Star, propose to encourage the best qualified journalism students in the nation to pursue newspaper careers and to provide them with nine weeks of intensive work and study in a metropolitan news-editorial operation.

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FELLOWSHIP applications can be obtained from Dr. Robert Russell, assistant professor of communications, Bronson Hall, Room 362. The mailing deadline is April 1, 1977. The seminar will begin June 13.

From the Editor's Desk

Tell us where it hurts

As you probably have noticed during the past week, the Almagest has sponsored a frustration campaign on the campus.

Because we are a student newspaper, we want to be your voice, and we want you to have you say. During the heavy traffic hours of the morning, members of the Almagest staff have manned a "Bitch Box" located in the foyers of the buildings on campus.

There is no great mystery to this campaign. It is exactly what it looks like. We want you to air your grievances—any grievances, from the quality of the food in the Snack Bar to course curriculum requirements.

Frustration is a very valuable part of an education, in fact, it's a very valuable part of life. And through the Almagest "Bitch Box" those frustrations can be aired.

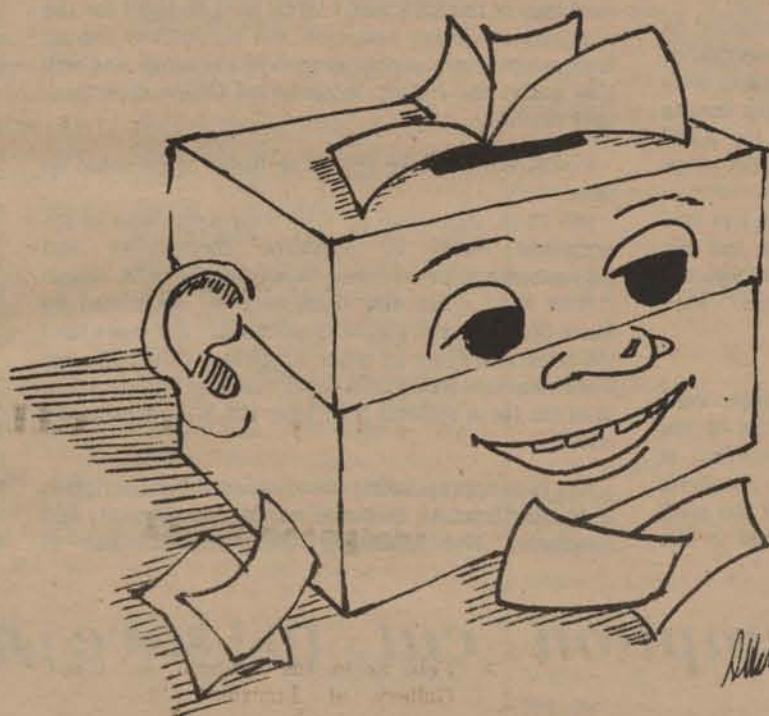
Perhaps it may sound crude or negative to have a "Bitch Box," but actually it is a very natural thing. The Almagest understands. We realize college is no picnic. And if it is at all possible, maybe we can help you through the rough spots by doing something about your gripes. But like the doctor that tells his patient, "I can only help you if you tell me where it hurts," the Almagest can only help you tell us where it hurts.

We aren't promising anything. Our intentions are to print, evaluate and analyze your grievances for the next issue of the paper. It's all very simple.

We often hear you saying how you

think things should be. You have valid opinions. Now is your chance to put those opinions in print. Through this process, we believe we can arrive at a general consensus of student opinion. And the possibilities are endless.

Let us help you. Don't be afraid to turn in your gripes. The only information we desire about you is your classification and major no names please. The "Bitch Box" will be continued through next Tuesday.



Policy on Letters

The Almagest welcomes all letters to the Editor and will print as many as space permits. We ask that they be limited to 300 words, typed (doubled spaced) and on the Editor's desk (Bronson Hall, room 328) by 8 a.m. Tuesdays.

No letter will be printed unless it is signed by the writer. We also ask that the writer's address and telephone number be included.

The Almagest reserves the right to edit all letters. Once submitted, letters become the property of the Almagest and will not be returned.

Spring will emerge

As the grass and trees evolve into green and brooks and streams become warm and sparkling, spring will emerge. As the fragrant scent of rose buds becomes dominant over the musky smell of winter and the sun begins to burst through the clouds, spring will emerge.

When young hearts melt from an emotional fever and the old sing from their front porch swings, spring will emerge.

When the robin red breast chirps from tree to tree and humming birds flap their tiny wings from bush to bush, spring will emerge.

Perhaps the very first sign of this happy season is characterized by the beauty of friendly smiles that greet you on the street. The evening skies that are filled with thousands of bright, shining stars, the unveiling constellations.

We musn't forget the rainbow sunsets that end the days in the most glorious manner. Yes, spring will emerge.

When the seasonal athletes peak from hibernation to rid themselves of their stored winter fat and once again their summer physiques will be almost bare because of the warm climate.

Yes, spring will emerge through this bitter, cold winter.

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GREEK BEAT

by CARLA HARPER



Zeta Tau Alpha

The Eta Omega chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha announces two new pledges: Honey Hood and Carol Wells. A birthday banquet was held recently to celebrate the chapter's second year of existence. New initiates were honored and awards were presented.

Phi Delta Theta

Bob Roberts, representative from National Headquarters, visited the Louisiana Delta colony of Phi Delta Theta recently. He discussed initiation and the chapter's progress with officers. The chapter gave him a party.

Delta Delta Delta

The newly-initiated fall pledge class honored Beta Rho chapter members of Delta Delta Delta with a Valentine's Day party.

Kappa Alpha

The following members of Delta Chi chapter of Kappa Alpha were initiated recently: Randy Alley, Ronnie Boswell, Mark Farmer and Jimmy Hamiter. A party for the new active members followed at faculty advisor Milton Finley's house. The chapter is now planning activities for the KA Annual Old South Week, March 31-April 9.

Alpha Phi

Epsilon Tau chapter of Alpha Phi recently pledged Amanda Lowery and Karen Orr. A Valentine's party was celebrated Saturday, Feb. 12.

Members recently worked in conjunction with the Louisiana Academy of Science meeting in ushering during the weekend's activities.

Other recent activities include making Valentines for faculty members and a taffy pull.

Pi Sigma Epsilon plans organization

The LSUS chapter of Pi Sigma Epsilon will hold an organizational meeting Feb. 25, at 6 p.m.

Information on the location will be in next week's Almagest. All interested students are welcome to attend.

PI SIGMA EPSILON is a national professional fraternity in marketing, sales management, and selling. It was designed to fill the business majors need for practical experience. Success in meeting this need has made Pi Sigma Epsilon the fastest growing professional fraternity in campus history. With 79

chapters in 23 years, its future looks even brighter.

A few of the benefits Pi Sigma Epsilon has to offer the business student at LSUS are practical business experience. Members can prepare themselves to be better job prospects. Pi Sigma Epsilon members hear speakers, work with businessmen, go on field trips and conventions and study different careers.

This leads to planning a future while still in college. The social and professional contacts made through Pi Sigma Epsilon provide increased opportunities both during and after college.



Recently the SGA sponsored a "Campus Wide Discuss" in the Science Lecture Auditorium (SLA). The two guest speakers were from Oyssey House. (Photo: Rocky Goodwin)

Mary Bennett's art work displayed in Bronson Gallery

An independent study exhibit prepared by artist Mary Ann Bennett will be displayed until Feb. 22 at the Bronson Hall Gallery at Louisiana State University, a spokesman said.

Cheryl L. Savoy, assistant professor of fine arts, said the exhibit—located in Room 336—will be available for viewing 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

A NATIVE of Connecticut, Mrs. Bennett has lived in Shreveport for nine years and has worked as a landscape designer and an interior decorator for local firms.

An LSUS education major, she was the occupational therapist at Schumpert Memorial Hospital from 1970-74 and worked with emotionally

handicapped young people in art therapy. She is doing her student teaching at Woodlawn High School and plans to attend graduate school this fall.

MRS. BENNETT placed third with her wall hanging "Polish Wedding" during an art competition held last November at the Barnwell Art Center.

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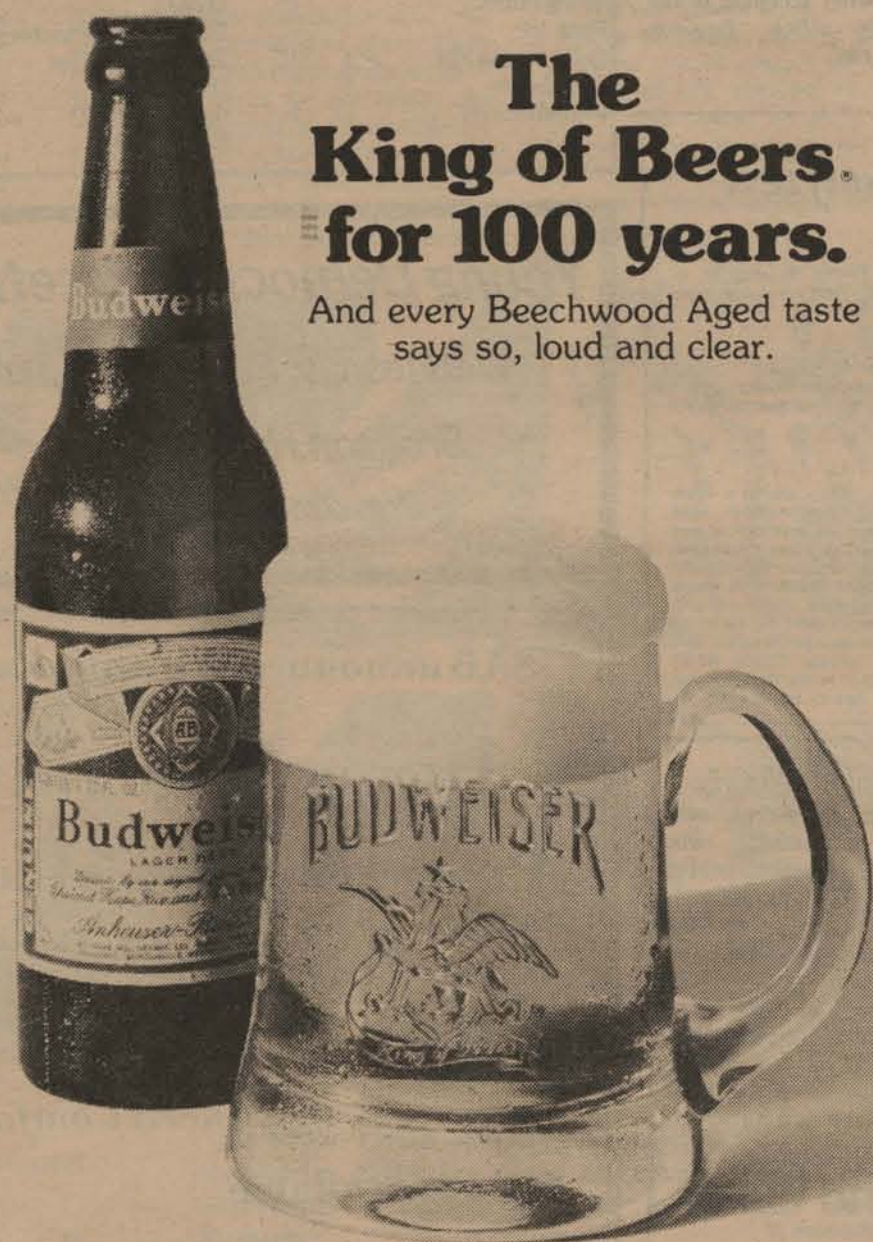
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Castro wants to play ball

SAM MOORE

The rumor going around is that Cuban Premier Fidel Castro wants to play his championship baseball team against the New York Yankees. If this comes about, the Yankees should check to see by whose rules they will play. It could make quite a difference in the outcome of the game.

In 1964 Castro's team played another Cuban team. After nine complete innings, the leader's group was losing 3-2. But the die-hard premier proclaimed that the game would go into extra innings. The game ended in the

12th inning, with Castro's team on top, 4-3.

WHAT IF Castro tries to pull this same stunt on the Yankees? Manager Billy Martin would hardly stand for it. He would rant and rave until he was blue in the face. Castro would then threaten an international incident, at which point, President Jimmy Carter, in the best interests of "global security" and

professional baseball, would use his presidential power to fire Martin.

An easy solution to this problem exists. Instead of playing the Yankees, the Cuban team should play the Houston Astros. Not only would they play in the Houston Astrodome, assuring good weather, but also Castro's group should be able to win in the regulation nine innings.

Tommy's tip sheet

by TOMMY BROWN

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 23

Misfits over Mights by 15
String Music over Funk Inc. by 2
Organization over Delta Sig by 5

THURSDAY, FEB. 24

Donuts over Palmerton's by 10
D.O.M. over K.A. by 12
Welch's over Junkies by 20

IM planning chess tourney

The Intramurals department will sponsor a chess tournament, to be held Feb. 26 at the Snack Bar, according to Tommy Brown, Intramurals director.

The meet is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. Registrations are currently being accepted in the Intramurals office, Bronson Hall, Rm. 130.

Volleyball gets organized

Volleyball league play began officially Wednesday night as the teams finally organized. Play got underway at 8:15 when Independents No. 2 of LSUS met Centenary. The Med school team defeated the Centenary players, many of them on the Venezuelan National Volleyball team, in two of three games. The scores were: 15-12, 8-15, 9-15.

Also at 8:15 Kappa Alpha and Zeta Tau Alpha played Liberty Mutual downed KA-ZTA early, defeating them 15-7, 15-8.

At 8:15 KA dos met In-

dependents No. 1. The first two games offered little excitement, KA dos winning the first one 15-7 and the Independents No. 1 taking the second one 15-4. The final game of the set was close, the two teams running neck-t-neck until the score was 8-8. The Independents then pulled ahead, defeating KA dos 15-8.

Volleyball is played each Wednesday night at the Broadmoor YMCA at 8:15 and 9:15. For a schedule of games go by the IM office in Bronson Hall, room 142.

Intramurals standings

WEDNESDAY NIGHT

	Won	Lost
Misfits	2	0
String Music	1	1
Funk Inc.	1	1
Delta Sigma Phi	1	1
The Mights	1	1
Organization I	0	2

THURSDAY NIGHT

	Won	Lost
Welch's Independents	2	0
Donuts	2	0
Palmerton's Panthers	2	0
Jimmy's Junkies	0	1
D.O.M.	0	1
Organization II	0	2
Kappa Alpha	0	2

Young Democrats Meeting

Wednesday, Feb. 23 1 p.m.

Bronson Hall, Rm. 132

Organizational meeting

SAB announces Valentine's

Dance Tonight

Progressive Men's Club

9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

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Jump ball

Kappa Alpha and Palmerton's Panthers tip off to begin action in Thursday night's action. Palmerton's went on to win the game by a safe margin. (Photo: Sam Moore)



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Help

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